FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **\$281**

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TO: The Honorable John E. Courson, Chairman, Senate Education Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Internet Policies – K-12 Schools

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 281 requires each district superintendent to annually file with the Superintendent of Education an acceptable use internet policy. The policy must, among other things, establish appropriate disciplinary measures for those that violate the policy and integrate into the district's curriculum a component on Internet safety for students.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The State Department of Education (SDE) estimates the fiscal impact to be \$98,387. The Department indicates it would need 1.5 FTEs to communicate with districts and develop curricula. SDE estimates the 1.5 FTE salaries, including fringe benefits, at \$89,487. The remaining \$8,900 would be spent on office space, computers, printing, postage, and travel.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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